



# Public Notice

## PUBLIC COMMENT NOTICE

### ***Draft Substantial Amendment to the 2015 Annual Action Plan***

The Cook County Department of Planning and Development within the Bureau of Economic Development currently receives Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding on an annual entitlement basis from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The County is accepting public comments regarding its Draft Substantial Amendment to the 2015 Annual Action Plan, which proposes a revision of CDBG and ESG activities to better meet community development needs in suburban Cook County while ensuring HUD compliance.

**Applicable Public Comment Period:** 30 Days – April 26, 2016 – May 25, 2016

### ***Draft Substantial Amendment to the 2015/2019 Consolidated Plan***

The Cook County Department of Planning and Development within the Bureau of Economic Development currently receives Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funding on an annual entitlement basis from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). As a condition of receiving these funds, Cook County is required to prepare a five-year Consolidated Plan. For Program Year 2016, Cook County is adding the municipalities of Arlington Heights and Des Plaines to the Cook County HOME Consortium. As such, it must substantially amend its Consolidated Plan to reflect these membership additions.

**Applicable Public Comment Period:** 30 Days – April 26, 2016 – May 25, 2016

### ***Draft Substantial Amendment to the Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Grant (CDBG-DR) Action Plan***

The Cook County Department of Planning and Development within the Bureau of Economic Development has been awarded \$83,616,000 in CDBG-DR funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to assist disaster recovery efforts in response to a declared major disaster occurring in Cook County in 2013. These funds can be used only for specific disaster recovery-related purposes. The County is required by HUD to prepare a draft strategy for the proposed uses of these funds and make public notice of related amendments. This Draft Substantial Amendment modifies the existing allocations and strategies within the Action Plan to better address disaster recovery needs. The County is accepting public comments regarding its Draft Substantial Amendment to the Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Grant (CDBG-DR) Action Plan.

**Applicable Public Comment Period:** 30 Days – April 26, 2016 – May 25, 2016

### **Public Comment Opportunities**

An important part of the process of developing Substantial Amendments is to promote citizen participation and solicit input. The Drafts may be reviewed at the Cook County Bureau of Economic Development offices at 69 West Washington Street, Suite 2900, Chicago, IL 60602, **or on-line at the**

**Cook County website during the applicable public comment periods specified above at this link:**  
<http://blog.cookcountyil.gov/economicdevelopment/>

All interested parties are encouraged to provide written comments. Written comments for the Draft Substantial Amendments are being accepted during the applicable public comment period specified above and must be received by 4 p.m. on the last day of the aforementioned public comment periods in order to receive consideration. Written comments must be directed to Jennifer Miller, Program Manager, Cook County Department of Planning and Development, 69 West Washington, Suite 2900, Chicago, IL 60602, [Jennifer.miller@cookcountyil.gov](mailto:Jennifer.miller@cookcountyil.gov).

Additionally, these items will be presented at upcoming public hearings conducted by the Cook County Economic Development Advisory Council (EDAC). Please see these links for meeting details and agendas: <http://blog.cookcountyil.gov/economicdevelopment/>